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WAR & PEACE

THE WAR AGAINST AMERICA'S MIND

Peace drive unaffected by ouster of Beria

By Tabitha Petran

TOPPING the week-end news, as reports of socialist-world "upheavals" seemed to be dying a natural death for lack of upheavals, was Moscow's startling announcement of the ouster of Lavrenti P. Beria as **First Deputy Premier and Internal Security Minister.**

The Soviet government had yet to present its case against **Beria**, who was expected to stand trial for treason "in the interest of foreign capital." What was most certain in the meantime was that Beria's fall would be exploited by Washington psychological warriors in their reckless efforts to turn back the world's demand for peace and conceal their own policy's bankruptcy.

FACTS TO LOOK AT: In a long editorial, **Pravda** said Beria had been exposed as "an agent of international imperialist forces." Pending more details, these facts stood out for observers seeking a calm appraisal:

- **No evidence supported interpretations of Beria's fall as a sign of "internal weakness," "inner collapse."**

The Moscow Trials of the 1930's—which were similarly interpreted in the West—proved to have eliminated the Axis fifth column and strengthened the U. S. S. R. before the Nazi threat. Even the N. Y. **Times'** C. L. Sulzberger recalled (7/12) that Marshal Tukhachevsky's elimination in 1938 strengthened the Red Army, and advised "caution . . . concerning the deeper power implications of the Beria arrest." [illegible] Beria had indeed become involved in Washington's far-flung, broadly-advertised fifth column, his arrest is a blow to Washington, not Moscow.

- **Current Soviet peace diplomacy—the development of a long-term policy—will not be changed.**

Its present phase, based on the realities of post-war recovery and advance and foreshadowed at the Soviet Communist Party's 19th Congress last October, was launched by Stalin in December; **UP** reported from Moscow (7/11):

> Editorials in the offical newspapers **Izvestia** and **Pravda** made it clear that the Soviet Government intends to pursue the policies that it believes have won a considerable measure of approval at home and abroad. . . . Foreign observers here thought that Soviet domestic and foreign policies . . . would continue unchanged and argued that Beria's activities, as outlined by **Pravda**, consisted precisely of sabotaging these policies.

- **Allied demands for talks with Moscow have intensified, despite Wash-**

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IT CAN'T HAPPEN HERE
USSR's Botvinnik (l) and U. S.'s Reshevsky, Moscow, 1948

A peep through the Iron Curtain

Cold-war circles were unhappy last week about the calm that had returned to the E.-W. Berlin border. The grievances leading to orderly E. Zone strikes—which W. Berliners used as a pretext for arson and violence—were settled, and life went on. But the agency caption on this picture asks you to note the "rifle-ready Soviet guards keeping a constant check on everyone entering from the West."

STATE DEPT. 'PATZERS' MUFF CHESS PROBLEM

U.S. checkmates self by barring Soviet team

By John T. McManus

LAST week U. S. chess players suffered the disappointment of their lives when the Walter-McCarran Act and State Dept. stiffnecks intervened to prevent a match in New York between the Soviet and U. S. teams, with world champion Mikhail Botvinnik scheduled for the No. 1 board opposite America's finest player, Samuel Reshevsky.

Among chess players the world around—including the U. S.—Botvinnik enjoys the stature of a Babe Ruth; the Soviet chess team which he heads compares with the N. Y. Yankees at their best.

The team were preparing to sail on the **Queen Elizabeth** when they learned they would be restricted to New York City during their visit and denied the privilege of staying at the Glen Cove, L. I., home of the Soviet UN delegation, 12 miles from the city.

HOSPITALITY: Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister Andrei Y. Vishinsky immediately notified the U. S. Embassy in Moscow they would not play under such restrictions, which he said did not "answer the elementary demands of hospitality."

By Soviet standards, Vishinsky correctly characterized the U. S. "welcome." When the U. S. chess team visited Moscow in 1946, the sky was the limit on hospitality; the same atmosphere greeted Mrs. Mary Bain, U. S. women's chess champion, and Mrs. May Karff on their visit last fall and winter for the women's international championships.

THE TRIMMINGS: The 1946 U. S. team stayed at the Metropole Hotel in Moscow except for Reshevsky, who lived in the orthodox household of the Chief Rabbi of Moscow. Cars and interpreters were assigned to all. There were soccer tickets, a nightly box at the Bolshoi Theater, practically the keys to the city. The non-playing captain, art patron Maurice Wertheim, was taken on a private tour of the Moscow museum, then closed for repairs.

One player who had a stomach ulcer had special food and, on request, a piano in his room with some Chopin scores. Another player's wife, who had relatives in Poland she had been trying to locate all through the war, got a special plane trip to Warsaw with visas expedited and all the courtesies of free travel. After the match the Soviets offered a special plane to fly the visitors anywhere in the U. S. S. R.

The U. S. team, soundly trounced, were guests at a big farewell banquet with gifts of handsome chessmen for the players, a camera for a member of the delegation who had priced one and found it too high, and dolls for two daughters at home—presumably found out about by Soviet espionage, possibly SHMERSH (see p. 3).

YANKEE PRINCESS: The hospitality level had not changed by 1952, according to Mrs. Mary Bain who told of her experiences on the TV **Welcome Travelers** program on her return after a six weeks stay.

"I was treated like a princess!" Mrs. Bain reported. If she was restricted in any way, she wasn't aware of it. A motherly former school teacher was assigned to her as companion, secretary and interpreter. They had intellectual discussions in the evenings after matches, and once when it was very cold her companion made an after-hours visit to Mrs. Bain's room to see if her feet were warm. She had tickets to the Bolshoi Theater, the ballet, took trips to the Kremlin, to some factories "where we were received like—you have no idea!"; and on leaving was begged to visit Leningrad, which she did.

Mrs. Bain did not do so well in the tournament, finishing well down the list, but says she had the time of her life, and uses adjectives like "royally" and "marvelous" to describe her treatment.

WHAT WE MISSED: U. S. chess players were prepared to pay $10 last week for a series ticket for the U. S.-U. S. S. R. match or $3 for single sessions. In action they would have seen world champion Botvinnik against Reshevsky, Soviet champion Paul Keres against youthful Larry Evans, U. S. champion; and Soviet players of world-acknowledged stature such as Smyslov, Kotov, Boleslavsky, Tamonov, Tolush, Averbach and Geller. Missing from the Soviet ranks were such greats as Bronstein, who drew a 24-board match with Botvinnik early last year; and Salo Flohr, a dean of Soviet chess.

The U. S. team was to have included Reshevsky, Evans, Robert Byrne, George Kramer, I. A. Horowitz, Arnold Denker, Max Pavey and Arthur Bisguier. Missing from the U. S. lineup was one of the top-ranked U. S. players, Reuben Fine. U. S. alternates were to have been Arthur Dake and Donald Byrne.

In an editorial headed "Stalemate," the N. Y. **Times** ventured the opinion that the State Dept. should have permitted the Soviet players to stay at Glen Cove. Said the **Times**: "We don't think Long Island is ready for revolution."

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Soldiers, not martyrs

NEW YORK, N. Y.

I was deeply moved by the Sartre article, but one statement I will not accept. He says of the "people of the Rosenberg Committee . . . But what can they do but head towards martyrdom?"

I am one of them, and I do not intend to become a martyr. I intend, as the Rosenbergs intended, to live out my life in peace, and I will fight with all my energy to do that. Like the Rosenbergs, I am an obscure American. Like the Rosenbergs, I am young — even younger than they — and I do not want to die.

I have learned from the Rosenbergs. My life has been enriched immeasurably by their heroism. My love for truth and justice has been made more meaningful. Above all, my love for my country — MY country, not President-General Eisenhower's — has deepened and taken on purpose.

They have murdered the Rosenbergs, but they shall not murder me, and they shall not kill the American people. We who fought so hard for the Rosenbergs held their lives so tenderly, so lovingly, in our hands. Now, we have learned that our hands are for something other than the protection of precious lives. We have learned that there is strength for building and fighting in our hands and that they can be rough on our enemies.

The man who is my President is a general. Well, I have become a soldier—a soldier such as he has never met on a battlefield. And I have an alliance with other soldiers—in Europe (with you, M. Sartre) and all over the world—which is not to be comprehended by the founders of the NATO, and which will endure long after NATO's inevitable decay.

In that alliance, I embrace you, M. Sartre, and we shall march together—not to martyrdom—but to "peace, bread, roses and children's laughter." **Sarah Lichtenberg**

Best so far

WINNIPEG, MANITOBA

July 6 issue is one of the best so far. Your editorial re the Rosenbergs, and the article from France about the situation in Europe as a result of their frame-up and cruel murder, are by far the best I have seen along that line up to date. **Menzie MacTavish**

A living tribute

E. PALATKA, FLA.

After the legal murder of Sacco and Vanzetti, a movement (never carried through) was started to establish a social center in Boston in their memory. Such a project would be a fitting memorial to the latest victims of the essential barbarism of U.S. capitalism: a living, vibrant tribute to the courage with which Ethel and Julius Rosenberg climbed their Calvary to their crucifixion—a shrine where we and our children's children may draw fresh inspiration in the struggle for a world where such hideous brutalities will not be tolerated.

The plan should include archives of the committee that fought to the last to save the young couple; a library with all that has been and will be written about the case, both here and abroad; a museum of pertinent objects such as the now famous console table; and a collection of portraits and news photos, with a special section where those who participated in the murder may be pilloried in the eternal infamy they deserve. I suggest also an empty frame for the kindly letter which the eminent "Christian gentleman" never wrote in reply to Michael's two pleas to him "not to let anything happen to Mommy and Daddy."

Frederick A. Blossom

How crazy can you get dept.

The Republic of Korea Army was placed by its Government under the control of the United Nations Command in order to more effectively repel the armed aggression against the Republic of Korea. I believe it should be clear to you that the United Nations Command, as the result of a commitment made by the Republic of Korea, does not command the Republic of Korea Army.

—From Gen. Mark Clark's note to the Chinese-N. Koreans, reported by AP, June 29.

One-year free sub to sender of each item published under this heading. Winner: Wilmer Breeden, San Diego, Calif.

Why they died

CHILDWOOD, N. Y.

"To the last, Marshal Carroll kept a telephone line open to Washington in case either husband or wife decided to make a full disclosure of their activities. Last week each had been informed by the Dept. of Justice that confessions could win them a reprieve from death." (N. Y. Times).

This, so far as I have ever heard of outside of physical torture chambers, is the first time prisoners have been put to death for the decisive reason, officially stated, that through everything they declared they were innocent and had nothing to confess.

Thus it would be false to say the Rosenbergs, even officially, were electrocuted for spying. The historical fact must remain that they were electrocuted because they said they didn't. **Lewis Fisher**

Authors burn slower

NEW YORK, N. Y.

Don't you worry
Don't you fret
They burn just books
Not authors—yet.

Lawrence Gellert

They would not lie

YOAKUM, TEX.

Christ died because he could not lie. The Rosenbergs died because they would not lie. Satan told Christ, bow to me and I will give you all this Kingdom. Satan told the Rosenbergs, bow to me and I will let you live. He that saves his life shall lose it, but he that will lose his life for my name's sake shall find it. **E. J. Luedecke**

Bucks, budgets & bushwa

SAVANT LAKE, ONT.

I am very sorry I can't send the dollar a month as I am unemployed and have a weak heart, am 64 and all I have to rely on for a living is the small trap line. Will send this dollar now, and more if I should get some kind of a job.

F. Raby

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CHICAGO, ILL.

Don't be bushwa—pledges are for people with a salary, not for day laborers paid by the hour. Here's $5; I'll do what I can when I can. **Hugo T. Hansen**

SAUSALITO, CALIF.

The ever-rising cost of living and steadily-decreasing buying power of my teamster's pay check for my family of four make my $1-a-month contribution a very small indication of my great and growing respect for Belfrage and colleagues.

Marshall Black

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APOLLO, PA.

My promise of a buck a month. You bit off a big mouthful. Hope you can chew it. **H. Clair George**

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CIRCLE, MONT.

My "buck-a-month" answer is my ckeck for $12. As a farmer, there is little certainty I shall be able to meet any future pledge. I have it now, so it's yours in the most important fight of the time—the fight for peace. The world is filled with advocates of peace but your approach is nearest to my heart. It is deplorable that those who would point the way must be cowed into a protective red-baiting or risk their work being silenced or useless. The GUARDIAN stands on the precipice, but gets my continuing support only because you do not yield to the terrorism of the times. **Hobart McKean**

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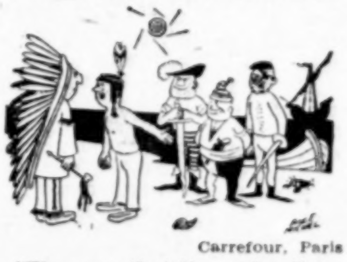
GRANTSDALE, MONT.

Just got a little carpenter work which is getting mighty scarce hereabouts; there are many younger hotfoot carpenters out of work, so you see it is slim pickin's for an old worn-out plug like me. I may go hungry later to pay for this $2 I am sending, but just don't want to see any good paper go under when we need them so sorely. **R. H. Cook**

Shame — and pride

CHICAGO, ILL.

I have just finished reading Sartre's magnificent letter to the heart, conscience, and mind of my beloved land. I accept the collective responsibility which we must all share. I am bitter that in our lifetime of Buchenwald, Nuremberg, we could not save the lives of these two people. But I am proud of the men and women of my country who spoke out for mercy, for civilization, in this time of the new terror. The courage, the faith, the clarity of your paper is a bright torch in our bleak journalism. All this brings hope and direction to my despair, my great sense of shame. **Justine Wellman**



Carrefour, Paris

"They say that if we give them dollars, they'll give us in exchange lessons in civilization."

A quiet 4th

McINTOSH, MINN.

It was a quiet 4th for us. How could we celebrate, when our government has turned to deliberate murder, executing the Rosenbergs, slaughtering our sons in "police actions?" How much longer will the common people be blinded by the barrage of lies? We are farmers fighting a losing game—and they send the FBI out to investigate us. Spit in their eyes, for they are Judases. **Mrs. David Fryer**

Wrong victims

KOKOMO, IND.

I never heard a single radio radio commentator say a word of good about the Rosenbergs; all the papers I saw were against them; only you stood up for them to the last. June 19, 1953, was a sad night for me as was Aug. 26, 1927, when Sacco and Vanzetti were executed. I think justice would have been better served if Ike and Nixon had gone to the chair—and for good measure they could have thrown in old McCarthy, McCarran, Jenner, Velde, Chennault, Budenz, Chambers, Bentley and some more rats and crooks. **Charles M. Ek**

One for Harry

NASHVILLE, TENN.

Glad Belfrage is going to stay with us a while. I have subpenaed Mr. Harry S. Truman of Independence, Mo., to appear for examination in my suit to enjoin the collection of taxes for war. This is to be in Kansas City, July 20, 1953. I want him to tell us exactly who started the war in Korea—that is, who was the aggressor in fact.

Fyke Farmer

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"Our liberty depends on the freedom of the press, and that cannot be limited without being lost."—THOMAS JEFFERSON.

REPORT TO READERS

The Belfrage Case

THIS IS AN ALERT to all readers that we may have to call upon you on over-night notice for help in our fight against the McCarthy-Brownell maneuver to deport our editor, Cedric Belfrage.

Right now the case is between rounds. Round One resulted in Belfrage being taken to Ellis Island on May 15, on orders from Senator McCarthy. The provocation was Belfrage's refusal 24 hours earlier to give answers satisfactory to the McCarthy Committee in an inquiry into the setting up of a democratic press in post-war Germany, a project in which Belfrage and GUARDIAN exec. editor Aronson both participated in Allied uniform.

With the rapid-fire help of hundreds of GUARDIAN readers all over the country, our attorneys won the second round, securing Belfrage's release on bail after he had spent four weeks on Ellis Island. We won the third round, too, over the Dept. of Justice attempt to stay the court decision granting bail.

BUT DEPORTATION hearings may be started by immigration authorities at any time, and their usual technique is to make these proceedings as surprising and costly as possible. On the facts, the deportation case against Belfrage is already a flop—as indicated in both court decisions involving the setting of bail. He has resided in the U. S. for 20 of the 27 years since he came of age, and the facts of his life contain no more grounds for deportation now than when he applied for citizenship before the war.

Cedric Belfrage is now editing the GUARDIAN under constant threat of deportation, restricted to the New York area and forced to report frequently to immigration officials.

Once deportation hearings are begun, they almost automatically proceed through five costly steps, beginning with hearings before a Special Inquiry Officer of the Immigration Service and ending up in the Supreme Court unless one side or the other quits the fight. Meanwhile the Dept. of Justice appeal against the granting of bail is set for hearing in the fall, and this fight, too, may have to be carried to the Supreme Court.

THE McCARTHY-BROWNELL forces have the taxpayers' money to carry on their side of the fight.

Our side has to be backed by rank-and-file support from people determined to prevent McCarthyism from victimizing the voices of opposition.

During the present breathing spell, the Belfrage Fight-Back Fund is bringing the story of the case to editors, labor leaders, clergy, educators and others who should be concerned with attempts to silence the opposition press and to abridge constitutional rights.

IN NORMAL TIMES, public protest from these areas should be easy to arouse. But it takes real guts to stand up to repressive authority these days, and the only people we know in the U. S. A. who possess this fighting quality in unlimited quantities are you—Mr., Mrs. and Miss GUARDIAN Reader.

We'll let you know when the fight begins again. Meanwhile, we'd like to know now that we can call on you personally. Please let us know on the Fight-Back coupon below.

—John T. McManus, for the Belfrage Fight-Back Fund.

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WORLD

'Secret' pact with Rhee leaves truce problem still unsolved

By Kumar Goshal

PRESIDENT EISENHOWER talked optimistically—but no Korean truce seemed in sight. Presidential envoy Robertson, after his prolonged chat wi[illegible] S. Korea's Rhee, was reported le[illegible]g Seoul "with uneasy settlement," prepared to dump major unsolved problems in Ike's lap (**UP**, 7/14).

The terms of the agreement with Rhee, who fanatically opposes an armistice, were by mutual consent to remain secret. Yet even before the brief, vague Rhee-Robertson statement was released, Rhee told newsmen he had only agreed not to obstruct an armistice for three months while the U.S. tried to remove the Chinese from N. Korea; he reserved the right to break truce terms if Korea were not unified by that time. This was exactly Rhee's previous position, which Robertson was ostensibly sent to overcome.

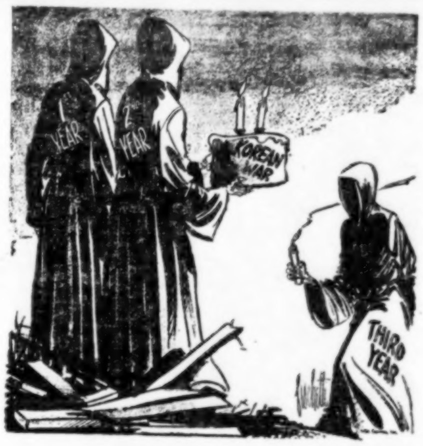
ROCKS IN THE ROAD: Rhee's statement raised speculation that he was still determined to block an armistice—reports which Robertson would neither confirm nor deny, angrily saying he was "honor-bound" to keep the details secret (**INS**, 7/12). Pentagon spokesmen lent credence to Rhee's statement by admitting U.S. agreement to resume hostilities if "the Communists by infiltration or other tactics" violated the armistice—a vague provision giving Rhee limitless opportunities to provoke new hostilities.

The road to truce was made rockier by disclosure that the U.S. had agreed to Rhee's demand to bar Indian, Polish and Czechoslovak troops from S. Korea during a cease-fire. This would be a mockery of the previous UN acceptance of Indian troops to guard unrepatriated POW's, and of Poles and Czechs to see that no reinforcements or new arms supplies were imported through specified "ports of entry" (N.Y. **Times**, 7/14). Gen. Clark was reported to have come up with a plan to fly Indian troops into the Panmunjom neutral zone without letting them touch Rhee-controlled soil.

Rhee disciples in the U.S. worked hard; acting Senate Republican leader Knowland, who found the Rhee agreement highly satisfactory, was pressing Eisenhower and Dulles for exclusion of non-belligerent countries such as India and the U.S.S.R. from post-armistice political talks (**AP**, 7/12).

"PEOPLE CAN SEE": As Rhee and his allies manipulated to keep the war going and U.S. casualties mounted, UN General Assembly pres. Lester Pearson refused to call a special session until after truce, despite several urgent cables from India's Nehru. N. Korean Gen. Nam Il charged that U.S. planes had again strafed a POW camp at Suan, killing five Allied captives and wounding 15. Said Peking radio:

> "People can see . . . that the results of the Robertson-Rhee talks are not only of no help to the realization of an early armistice in Korea, but will further encourage Rhee in his scheme to torpedo the armistice in the future."



Portland (Me.) Evening Express

While Washington gave every indication that it was ready to back continued violation by Rhee, Secy. Dulles got British and French foreign ministers conferring in Washington to support a statement assuming N. Korean-Chinese violations even before an armistice was signed. On the basis of this assumption the three foreign ministers resolved that

> . . . if the Communists should renew their aggression in Korea after an armistice . . . their governments would . . . again support the restoration of peace and security; in existing circumstances . . . the common policy of the three powers toward Communist China should be maintained.

DULLES' "THINKING": Meanwhile plans were brewing again to warm up the war in Indo-China. At a meeting in Dulles' home, France's Bidault presented the plan devised by French Indo-China commander Gen. Henri Navarre, calling for 20,000 more French troops costing another $285 million. U.S. officials thought the plan would really cost this country over $400 million, but Dulles expressed "great satisfaction" (**NYT**, 7/13).

Dulles also said the U.S. was "thinking" Japan should have a security force of ten divisions or about 350,000 men. Without checking whether this was acceptable to the Japanese, the State Dept. told Britain and France Japan's budget should be prepared with such a force in mind.

A WORD FROM JAPAN: The Japanese have already shown how they feel about an enlarged army or "security force." **NYT** (6/16) reported the furor in the Japanese parliament when Natl. Safety Agency chief Tokutaro Kimura exposed a secret five-year plan to build a 200,000-strong army, 150,000 tons of coastal patrol vessels including five aircraft carriers and an air force of 1,500 military planes, half of them jets—in violation of Japan's constitution which forbids maintenance of armed forces. A powerful opposition group, including some members of Premier Yoshida's own party, called for Kimura's ouster and threatened to introduce a motion of non-confidence in the government. **NYT's** William Jorden said Kimura's disclosure barely scratched the surface of the industrialists' already-completed program for rebuilding Japan's arms industry and armed forces with U.S. help.

Popular feeling against rearmament, however, forced Foreign Minister Okazaki to declare—in reply to a question on Dulles' statement—that U.S. military aid, if offered, could not be accepted by Japan (**Reuters**, 7/13).

Beria ousted; peace drive continues

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ington's efforts to use Beria's fall as an excuse to postpone them indefinitely.

The day before the news of Beria's fall, Yugoslavia's Tito jumped on the W. European bandwagon, urging the West to negotiate. The day after, **NYT** reported from Bonn: BERIA OUSTER AIDS FOES OF ADENAUER. It said "a number of influential conservative journals" had swung over to the Social Democratic view that talks with Moscow are more necessary now than ever; quoted Munich's **Sueddeutsche Zeitung** as saying:

> Allies of the U.S. are developing a bit of their own initiative, seeking their own ways out of the mess. European uprising against the danger of being hopelessly ground to pieces between the two powers [U.S. and U.S.S.R.] is imminent.

Reports from the Big Three foreign ministers' conference in Washington indicated Secy. Dulles was under heavy pressure from his British and French colleagues to agree to four-power talks. The pressure, said the N.Y. **Herald Tribune** (7/13), "was increasing as a result of certain events in the world situation." **NYHT** named the bogging down of the European Army; the demand for German unification; the continued Soviet "peace offensive," which may be intensified, and

> . . . the clamor in Europe for the West to give some affirmative response. . . . Failure to meet Russia at least half way in such an atmos[illegible]e would be blamed primarily on [illegible] U.S. and would do severe damage to American prestige, according to highly placed sources.

U. S. 'psychological offensive'; target—the mind of America

Washington's reaction to Beria's downfall was curiously reticent in view of its loud beating of drums, when Stalin died, about a coming "bloody struggle for power in the Kremlin."

That propaganda was accompanied by an announcement of a "top secret psychological warfare offensive to break up Russia's satellite empire." The "warfare" was defined by **NYT** (3/6) as "comprehending sabotage, training, arming and disposition of spies, saboteurs and guerillas and the carrying out of [costly] projects within and without the Iron Curtain"; and by the **Wall St. Journal** (3/6) as spreading rumors, sparking "popular" uprisings, supplying arms—all involving the "calculated risk of war."

For the American people, the Soviet charges against Beria—following on last month's provocations in E. Germany and inflated tales of "workers' revolts rocking the Soviet Empire"—carried a warning: 1) of the increasing degeneration of Washington policy into sheer gangsterism; 2) of the extent to which Americans are themselves the victims of this "psychological offensive."

PRINTED "MAGIC": Washington's "psychological warfare" has been developed and perfected from that practised by the Nazis. The Dutch psychological war expert A. M. Meerlo described (**Aftermath of Peace, 1946**) how the Nazis

> . . . developed the manipulation of public opinion into a huge scientific machinery. Their psychological warfare became aggressive strategy in peacetime, the so-called "war between wars."

In this "huge machinery" the press played an important part, especially in fanaticizing the German people "into criminals"; for

> . . . there is still belief in the magic of the printed word. Words on newsprint, slogans repeated daily, hypnotize. They look like absolute truth. People would have liked to fight them rationally, but the daily injections with new printed words weakened their critical resistance.

REALITY BLOTTED OUT: The Eisenhower Administration last January proclaimed its determination to intensify the "war between wars." That war has been increasingly exposed as a fifth-column gangster operation—the inevitable expression of Washington bankruptcy—one of whose important aspects is to destroy the critical resistance and moral judgment of the American people.

Only this month the President's Committee on Psychological War, headed by banker W. H. Jackson, sent a "secret" report to the White House which dealt (said the **NYT** blandly, 7/12) with the problem of coordinating propaganda with "sabotage" and other "undercover operations"—a "difficult" problem in a democracy. (Nazi Germany was branded an outlaw nation by the American people and government for similar conduct.) Three years ago Meerlo wrote (**Patterns of Panic**):

> What we are witnessing in the cold war and the atomic war of nerves is the collapse of intelligence and conscience both—a collapse of such dimensions that we have lost sight of reality.

POISON FOR PEOPLE: What we are witnessing today is a gigantic conspiracy to misinform the American people so as to make them willing puppets of Washington's warriors, incapable of enlisting reason and intelligence in dealing with world problems.

Introducing SHMERSH

. . . Malenkov also had the use of the top branch of the secret police, the SHMERSH. This is the super-duper outfit which spies even on members of the Politburo. . . . For some weeks prior to Stalin's death, Malenkov was fabricating SHMERSH evidence in order to liquidate Beria, while Beria was fabricating secret police evidence in order to liquidate Malenkov. . . .

—Drew Pearson column, July 14.

The conspiracy has become clear in the Administration's "psychological war" in the last six months. It has embraced a propaganda offensive, carried out by press reports headlined daily throughout the country, and co-ordinated with undercover sabotage and Project X operations conducted by the Central Intelligence Agency and its well-heeled fifth column.

STUFF TO SWALLOW: These have been the main phases of the war above ground:

- Anti-semitism charges leveled at the U.S.S.R. last winter. (Possibly significant in this connection was C. L. Sulzberger's **NYT** report, 7/7, that the Israel government "was fairly well convinced" in March, 1952, that Beria had sponsored anti-Semitism at a Cominform meeting that month.)
- The all-out propaganda about a bloody struggle for power when Stalin died and thereafter.
- Reports of widespread "satellite" discontent in the spring.
- Reports of strikes and slowdowns in Czechoslovakia early in June, followed by exaggerated and corrupted accounts of the E. German strikes, and then by reports of "revolt in Poland," of dispatch of Soviet troops to Czechoslovakia and Poland.

TIME TO STOP: The present phase of the war includes the clear provocation of the food offer to allegedly hungry E. Germans (western rioters in Berlin burned food stocks among other things), and insistence on shipping it to W. Berlin despite its rejection by the E. German and Soviet governments. As regards the U.S.S.R., the war is currently concentrating on charges of a "Russification" policy "similar to that of the Tsars," with Beria in the role of a fallen fighter for minority rights (Moscow says he tried to sow enmity in the Soviet multi-national state). The **N.Y. World Telegram** (7/10) said the new Psychological Warfare Board

> . . . will hammer at the theme of "self-determination" for the scores of nationalist groups in the U.S.S.R.

The failure of Washington's warriors to start a civil war in Germany, the flexibility shown throughout E. Europe in handling the situations created by Washington's provocations and underground operations, and presumably the arrest of Beria, make this a moment for Americans to demand an end to Washington's dirty "war between wars." Above all it is a time for extreme skepticism toward the reporting of the U.S. press, which has become more than ever a propaganda arm of Project X.

POLITICS

N.Y. gets fare boost; McAvoy heads ALP fight-back slate

ON Monday, July 13, New Yorkers were told they would pay a 15c fare on buses and subways beginning July 25. (The fare was raised from 5c to 10c in July, 1948; service remains unimproved on the world's most superannuated subway system.) On the same day the American Labor Party named its standard bearers for the municipal election campaign, and wrote on their standards the demand for a lower fare and political exile for all who favored or permitted the great train robbery. Named to head the ALP ticket are:

- For mayor: **Clifford T. McAvoy,** former Deputy Welfare Commissioner under LaGuardia, a political action director for CIO during the war, legislative and political director for the United Electrical Workers. In 1951 he was ALP's nominee for president of the city council.
- For controller, **Arthur Schutzer,** ALP's exec. secy. since 1946, who as legislative representative has tangled with old-line leaders at hearings in City Hall, Albany and Washington.
- For president of the city council: **Charles Stewart,** former headmaster of the Roger Ascham School, White Plains, N. Y., educator, lecturer, active Protestant layman, currently directing the Belfrage Fight-Back Fund.

A full slate for borough presidents, judgeships and councilmen was to be put in the field before the fall.

SHOUTS AND HATS: Though the ALP had a world issue of peace and other local issues of housing and civil liberties for which it stood alone, last week the vanishing 10c fare seemed closest to New Yorkers. When Maj. Gen. Hugh J. Casey, head of the Transit Authority, held aloft the new-minted transit token (conveniently without price mark engraved on it for handy upping), shouts of protest went up from every city politician with a hat to throw in any ring.

Most, though, were handicapped by earlier attitudes toward the fare boost.

GEN. HUGH CASEY
All's fare in politics

The Mayor's appointee on the Authority, Ephraim F. Jeffe, voted against it, said the step was "hasty"; Mayor Impellitteri himself deplored it—but New Yorkers remembered similar deploring statements as the Mayor retreated swiftly throughout the negotiations that led to the fare rise.

DEPLORERS ALL: Even Council Pres. **Rudolph Halley,** the Liberal Party's nominee for mayor who had most vigorously assailed the Mayor's retreats, was tarred by his earlier advocacy of a Transit Authority and posing of a "disaster economy" as the alternative.

It was clear that all candidates, all parties would deplore the boost. But only the ALP could claim implacable opposition from start to finish and had a fighting record to prove it.

LIBERALS PICKED: The only other party in the city with even its top standard-bearers named is the Liberal Party. Last week Halley's running mates were picked: for controller, **Chase Mellen Jr.,** former New York County GOP chairman, currently serving on the GOP county committee; for city council president, **Justice Juvenal Marchisio** of the Domestic Relations Court, prominent in Catholic Circles, named Privy Chamberlain of Cape and Sword by Pope Pius XII.

The GOP was to pick its slate on Thursday, with the odds favoring Rep. Jacob K. Javits or Rep. Henry J. Latham for the mayoralty. The Democrats were thrown into greater confusion by the announcement that anti-Tammany, pro-Halley insurgent Robert H. Blaikie would enter the primary. Though jockeying changed the picture daily as the GUARDIAN went to press, Mayor Impellitteri seemed to have the edge with Averell Harriman and Manhattan Borough Pres. Wagner as runners-up. If the Mayor doesn't get the nod he threatens to divide the Democratic forces by running in the primaries or as an independent.

NOISE

How 'disastrous journalism' has kept the U.S. in a poisoned fog about Russia

ONE of the main tasks of the U.S. press—on the whole, successfully carried out—is to cause oblivion to settle over the people's minds with regard to recent history, and especially the record of the press itself.

More durable-memoried readers of the current reports of "chaos" and "impending collapse" in the socialist world, mostly datelined Vienna and Berlin, are reminded of the U.S. press coverage (from Riga, etc.) of 1917-1920 events in Russia which set the pattern for "news" coverage to this day. In 1920 Walter Lippmann and Charles Merz studied the N. Y. **Times** coverage in those years ("A Test of the News," **New Republic** supplement, 8/4/20) and called it "from the point of view of professional journalism, nothing short of a disaster." They showed how Americans were misinformed on every important question involving Russia, and accused reporters and editors of accepting and believing for subjective reasons

> . . . most of what they were told by the State Dept . . . the agents and adherents of the old regime all over Europe . . . [and] officials at crucial points like Helsingfors, Omsk, Vladivostok, Stockholm, Copenhagen, London and Paris. For the same reason, they accepted reports of governmentally-controlled news services abroad, of correspondents who were unduly intimate with the various secret services and with the old Russian nobility.

FICTION AS "NEWS": The Lippmann-Merz analysis has a remarkably up-to-date sound.

- Between Nov., 1917, and Nov., 1919, **NYT** reported 91 times that the Soviets were "nearing their rope's end or had reached it"—exclusive of "ordinary reports" that Russia was "weakening," "in chaos," etc.
- From January, 1919, through the first half of 1920, Soviet Russia was pictured as an aggressor against Poland and a "Red invasion of Europe" as imminent. In fact, during most of this period, Polish troops were deep in Russian territory.
- Soviet offers to negotiate settlements with the Allied powers were invariably distorted. **NYT** (3/14/20), said:

> There has been no doubt at any time in Washington official circles that the Soviet "peace" drive represented nothing more than a scrap of paper policy of the Soviet leaders, a mere tactical move, and that what they really sought was a breathing spell in which to concentrate their energies for a renewed drive toward world-wide revolution.

- The "Red Peril" was played up at crucial moments to turn Allied diplomacy from peace since "you cannot make truce with Peril." Commented Lippmann and Merz:

> . . . The note of the Red Peril . . . has appeared at every turn to obstruct the restoration of peace in Eastern Europe and Asia and to frustrate the resumption of [illegible]nomic life.

- In an addendum to their study (8/11/20) they pointed out that in June and July, 1920, there had been many predictors of Soviet collapse and commented:

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> Not the least interesting thing about these reports . . . is the way they often contrast with warnings of a world-wide menace. . . . Presumably no human institution can simultaneously be both cadaver and world-wide menace. But that is not to reckon with the practise of playing the news both ways. The **Times** has recently published many warnings of the Red Peril. One of them (July 28) necessitated the devotion of 1,000 words of space to the utterings of Gen. Erich Ludendorff, "the famous German war leader." A curious spectacle—this German junker invoked to show the world the way to peace.

JUST CREDULITY? Although "the reliability of the news is the premise on which democracy proceeds," on the "supremely important event" of [illegible] Russian Revolution Lippmann [illegible] Merz found the American people "could not secure the minimum of necessary information." Yet "on the face of the evidence" they could find

> . . . no reason to charge a conspiracy by Americans. They can fairly be charged with boundless credulity, and an untiring readiness to be gulled, and on many occasions with downright lack of common sense.

If there was no conspiracy in the post-World War I years, it is difficult to make the same contention of the period since World War II. As early as March 21, 1946, C. L. Sulzberger was frankly telling **NYT** readers the Iran crisis had been whipped up to reverse "the momentum of pro-Soviet feeling worked up during the war. . . ."

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'Dear Michael & Robert: Your parents' ideals have inspired humanity'

BUDAPEST

Dear Michael and Robert Rosenberg:

On June 20 the World Council of Peace was holding its Fourth Session here in the beautiful city of Budapest on the banks of the Danube. The delegates came from all parts of the world, from New Zealand and Norway, from China and from Chile. There were workers and poets, religious people, Christians and Moslems and non-believers. They were all good people, the finest representatives of their nations—men and women with great minds and honest hearts. Some, as the delegates from China, India and the Soviet Union, were spokesmen for hundreds of millions of people. All were here to work for the highest cause—peace.

PAIX ET AMITIÉ
PEACE FRIENDSHIP
PACE ŞI PRIETENIE
FRIEDEN UND FREUNDSCHAFT

But all the time they were working for peace there was one great cloud which darkened their day. All were asking: What will happen to Julius and Ethel Rosenberg? They knew all about your mother and father, loved them and hoped that they would live to be with you.

Then, as the meeting was beginning, the delegate from Belgium came to the speakers' stand and in a low voice said: "Friends, I must tell you that Julius and Ethel Rosenberg have been executed." He could say no more, but what more could be said? With one heart the entire assembly rose together and stood in the silence of deepest grief and indignation.

I do not remember ever seeing anything so impressive as the sorrow of these people from all humanity standing in honor of your mother and father. In their silence they expressed this judgment: Julius and Ethel Rosenberg were innocent. They were heroes because they chose to give their lives for an ideal. They are our finest heroes because they made this choice, not just in the moment of battle, great as such heroes are, but day after day in the cold isolation of their cells. They loved you and their country so deeply that they could not be shaken in their determination to die rather than betray you and their ideals.

For this they were honored on the day of their execution by this great assembly of peace workers. For this they will be loved for all time.

Some of your schoolmates may not yet understand this and may try to make your life hard by calling your mother and father spies. But do not let this hurt you. Remember th[illegible] this jury of men and women spea[illegible] for nearly all of humanity in saying that your parents were innocent. There will be many monuments erected to the memory of your mother and father. But the greatest of these will be that millions of people will remember and love them and be inspired by their example to work for their ideals, to carry their banner forward to the victory of love and peace and plenty for all mankind.

George Wheeler

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N. Y. POLITICS AT 'ALL-TIME LOW'

ALP will fight for 'little people'

By Vito Marcantonio

NEW YORK CITY politics are at an all-time low. With collusion between Republican and Democratic parties and Impellitteri, and with fakery by the Liberal Party, these political machines have imposed upon the people of our city an unjust rent hike, a fare increase (to take place July 30), and harsh and vindictive measures against dock workers. These same political parties have aided and abetted the practitioners of McCarthyism in our schools and in our city government.

Dewey has led — and the Democratic bosses and Impellitteri, with sham protest, have followed him—in imposing upon our people an unprecedented raw deal.

FAKE FIGHT: The Liberal Party, i.e., the machine controlled by the businessmen of labor, has put up a fake fight against rent increases and, through its candidate Halley, has been faking it on the fare rise. His alternative for a $25 million so-called "economy" cut in transit costs can only mean further reduction of service subway riders and wage cuts for transit workers. His alleged solution of the city's financial mess by reducing the budget by $75 million constitutes an "economy" at the expense of hospitals, welfare, schools, parks and playgrounds. This would turn our city back to pre-World War I conditions.

Last December, Halley was the first to propose the anti-labor legislation recently enacted by the Dewey special session in Albany for political screening and licensing of longshoremen.

RIGHT ON KOREA: Collusion on the part of the Democratic, Republican parties and Impellitteri, and the fakery of the Liberal Party and Halley, are inevitable products of political parties that have supported the unjust and unconstitutional war in Korea, which now stands revealed as a misadventure against the best interests of the American people.

The American Labor Party, against lies and distortions, has been calling for an end to this war, and continues to be the only party of peace in the municipal elections of 1953.

The ALP fought against the increased 10-cent fare in 1949, and asserted then that this would lead to a 15-cent fare within four years.

WAY OUT OF MESS: The ALP has unconditionally striven against any increase in fare and has offered, and still offers, the only solution to solving the city's financial crisis:

- Proper assessment of large commercial and industrial real property on the basis of true 1952 values; this would produce for the city within a few years additional revenues of $150 million a year, and thereby eliminate existing deficits and provide for a decent standard of city services.
- An honest fight—not the double-talk and the double-cross of the Democratic and Liberal parties—for an increase in New York City's share of state-collected taxes.
- Enabling legislation authorizing New York City to tax stock transfers.

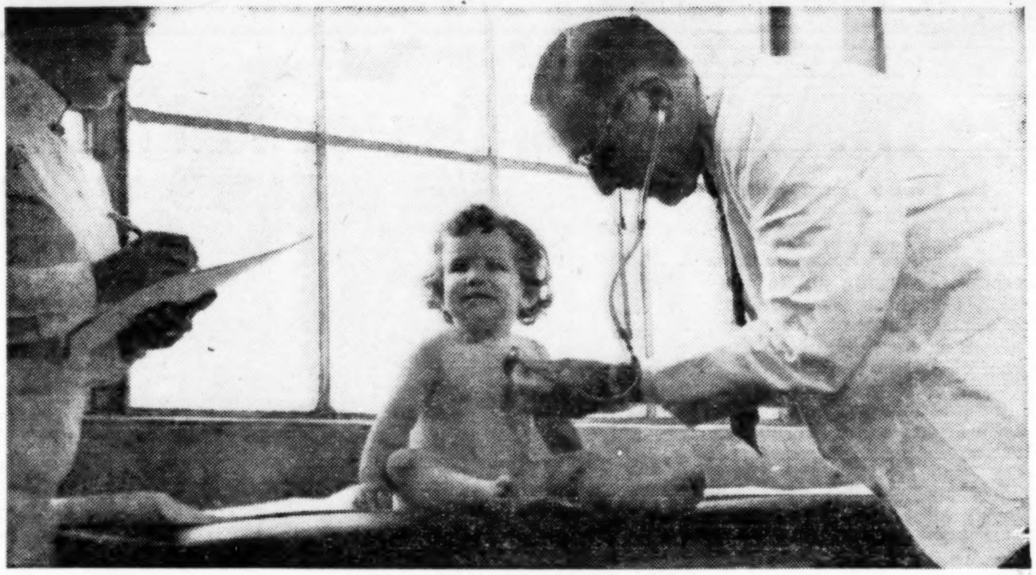
VITO MARCANTONIO
The ALP carries on . . .

- Increased state aid to education.
- A state bond issue for the construction of new schools.

LaGUARDIA SPIRIT: The ALP has consistently fought the real estate gang, pioneered for genuine rent control, and made the only real fight against the phony rent commission setup which has meant an increase of 15% in rentals and worse.

It is still the party of Fiorello LaGuardia, who was an enrolled member until his death. It is significant that those who now attempt to use his name knifed him in 1945. I refer specifically to the two D's in New York City politics—Dewey and Dubinsky. With their anti-LaGuardia manipulations in 1945 the tragic course of events in our city commenced.

We of the ALP carry on in LaGuardia's tradition, and will in the interests of the little people of our city make the fight in 1953 that he would have made. Accordingly, as our candidate for Mayor, we have designated Clifford T. McAvoy, who served in LaGuardia's administration as Deputy Welfare Commissioner.



"DON'T SOCIALIZE THAT CHILD"
Organized big medicine, like organized big business, smells "socialism" in any organized service for the people. For the story of AMA's drive to kill HIP's cradle-to-grave pre-paid medical care, with emphasis on preventive medicine, see Page 2.

This Is the 'Little People's' Candidate for Mayor

Cliff McAvoy started out on LaGuardia road; he stayed on it

THE American Labor Party candidate for mayor is the grandson of a Tammany sachem, the son of an Al Smith Democrat judge; he was given his political start (and direction) by Fiorello H. LaGuardia.

Clifford Thomas McAvoy, 49, of 144 Willow St., B'klyn, has traveled in that direction ever since. During the early New Deal days, McAvoy taught at Riverdale Country School, Columbia University and CCNY. (His Ph.D. thesis was on "the social background of the Italian opera in the 19th Century.") But he was also active on the exec. committee of the Grover Cleveland Democratic Club.

LaGUARDIA DAYS: In 1938 Councilman B. Charney Vladeck died and Mayor LaGuardia urged the ALP to replace him with McAvoy. Instead they ran him for assemblyman from the 15th A.D., Manhattan. When he lost, LaGuardia appointed him Deputy Commissioner of Welfare, a post he held until 1941.

In that year the Greater N.Y. CIO Council made him its legislative and political action director.

STAYED ON ROAD: The United Electrical Workers, then in CIO, asked and got him as their Washington legislative representative, later as political director. In 1946 Jack Kroll, CIO Political Action director, borrowed him back to serve as assistant CIO-PAC director in the midwest. Two years later CIO branched off the LaGuardia road and McAvoy stayed on. He balked at CIO's anti-Wallace injunctions and organized the Progressive Labor Committee for Wallace.

Since then he has been doing legislative or political action work for UE. In 1951 he took time out to run on the ALP ticket for presidency of the City Council. One of his opponents then was Rudolph Halley, who had come up fast out of no particular political past but fresh from a television triumph as counsel for the Kefauver crime investigating committee.

HALLEY TO BEAT: In that contest McAvoy polled 104,106 votes. Halley swept in with 657,158. The GUARDIAN then commented (9/14/51):

CLIFFORD McAVOY
. . . in the LaGuardia tradition

"Some progressive votes undoubtedly found their way to Halley as a possible winner against boss rule. . . . The election gave the Liberal Party its biggest boost and brought talk of a Halley-for-Mayor campaign in 1953. But though the party was cordially welcomed to power by the N. Y. **Times** and other conservative interests, its future was still unsure. Many doubted the Liberal Party had much to do with Halley's victory. Its other candidates ran behind him."

In the 1953 race, certain to see at least four entries, Halley and McAvoy again are the early starters. Halley depends on the glamor of past victory, what hay he can make out of his record in office, and the power of a Dubinsky-backed campaign. McAvoy depends on a program (see Marcantonio, this page) and a fast start before the summer's over.

The man who fights with facts

WHEN the Board of Estimate met last June 1 to turn over the city's subways and buses to the Transit Authority, the occasion was to be purely ceremonial.

Before the deal was finally voted upon a man stood up in the audience and the Board members squirmed in their seats, groaned audibly. The man was ALP's exec. secy. Arthur Schutzer — now his party's candidate for Comptroller. Schutzer's embarrassing mastery of the essential facts in any issue affecting the public welfare, his unfailing appearance to present them, and his dogged insistence on sticking to the point, have been making big-party chieftains in City Hall, Albany and Washington groan since 1948.

"RECEPTIVE THROATS": The day the transit deal was made at City Hall was typical. Schutzer charged and offered to prove that the deal "was conceived in private between Mayor Impellitteri and Gov. Dewey." Council Pres. Halley protested that it was "rammed down our throats by the Governor." Schutzer answered: "If he rammed it down your throats, then the throats of the honorable members of the Board are the most receptive throats I've ever seen."

Schutzer, 46, of 42 Livingston St., Brooklyn, has argued for transit workers, dock workers, school teachers, parents, day-nursery kids in every kind of legislative tussle.

ARTHUR SCHUTZER
. . . and it will be heard

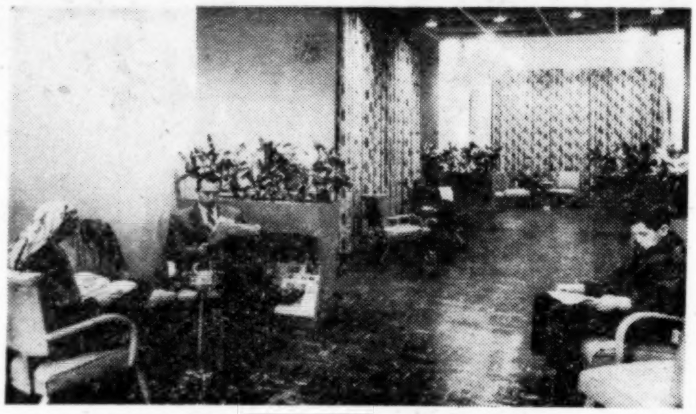
WAR ON HEALTH PLANS

Big Medicine operates on little HIP

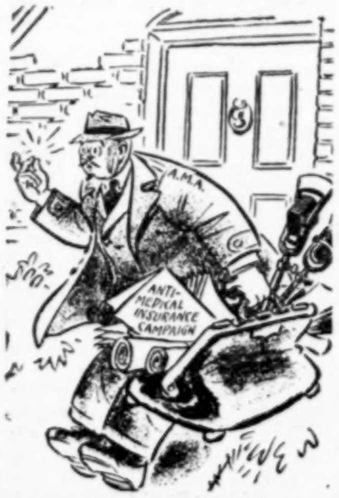
By Elmer Bendiner

A LITTLE more than a century ago Horace Mann was called "godless" by some New Yorkers for urging public education for those who couldn't pay for it. Conservatives were divided; some thought a minimum of reading and writing taught under proper guidance to public charges would keep them from wild Jacksonian ideas.

On June 30, 1953, the Kings County Medical Society voted approximately 800-200 to limit low-cost medical care to "public charges." The doctors recommended to the State Medical Society and American Medical Assn. that the "code of ethics" be revised to bar any prepayment medical-care program from advertising; restrict hospitals and clinics to attending public charges only; sanction fee-splitting among general practitioners and specialists. (An opponent of fee-splitting reported that where the system was tried in a mid-western town of 2,000 population, physicians and surgeons so took to it that scarcely a tonsil or an appendix was left intact.)



MUCH TOO GOOD FOR THE AVERAGE MAN
This is a typical HIP reception room. The care is as modern as the decor, but the Kings County Medical Society is against it.



Herblock in Washington Post
"Oops — almost forgot my medicine kit!"

THE TARGET: The menace facing the KCMS was nothing so drastic as a medical program comparable to public education. What seemed to be the target was the Health Insurance Plan (HIP). KCMS spokesmen refused to confirm or deny this but there was no denying where the shots hit. If the State Society and AMA went along, HIP would be out of business.

HIP was founded in 1947 as a health plan for city employes; Mayor LaGuardia was a sponsor. It has broadened since then to include about 436 companies, unions and other groups covering 400,000 New Yorkers. Under the plan a year's complete medical care from a common cold to cancer costs roughly $42 for a single person, $84 for a couple, $126 for a family of three or more. Most firms and the city, itself, pay half the costs so that a family of three or more pays 17c a day for care and a single person only 6c. HIP's prime value is that it enables the average person to go to a doctor before he gets sick. Outside HIP, preventive medicine is a luxury.

"DESTROYS WARMTH": A KCMS spokesman, writing in a pro-and-con debate in the N. Y. **World Telegram** (7/8), described HIP as "privately sponsored socialized medicine, run by a group of individuals the same as if it were run by a group of government bureaucrats."

Other arguments charge that HIP "destroys the warm personal relationship between a patient and his private physician. . . . It compels its subscribers to go to a restricted group or panel of contract phycians for medical care. [Actually, since HIP patients are not restricted to the panel in their neighborhood, they can take their pick of 1,000 HIP doctors in the city.] . . . Because there is no free choice, any advertising by HIP is an evasion of the code which forbids advertising by individual physicians. . . . It is spreading the impersonal, clinic-type of medical care that indigents are required to have."

PRE-CIVIL WAR: After the KCMS balloted, HIP pres. and medical director Dr. George Baehr commented on the proposal to restrict low-cost health to public charges only:

"The status of medical schools and teaching hospitals would revert to that which was characteristic of such medical institutions in this country 100 years ago. . . . In fact the recommendations of the KCMS are so reactionary and so contrary to the public interest that I do not believe the AMA could ever be persuaded to adopt them."

"ETHICS" & TIDES: Whether even the KCMS proposals could be too reactionary for AMA was a matter for speculation; AMA local bodies have fought the HIP idea on a variety of fronts for years. In 1951 the Washington, D. C., society brought legal suit against a group plan there, charging that it was acting in restraint of trade. (Current tactics avoid lumping the medical profession in with retail business, now concentrate on upholding the profession's "ethical standards.") The case was thrown out, apparently ending the legal battle against such plans.

AMA might be prevented from taking the KCMS recommendations only by an awareness that it was bucking too strong a tide. Throughout the country some 4,000,000 people now subscribe to plans like HIP.

SO MILD: Though AMA officials apparently resist the assault on private doctors' ethics, doctors' incomes are plainly a factor in the opposition. Actually HIP offers its doctors this deal: some work exclusively for HIP on a monthly salary; others keep a private practice, attend HIP patients as well, and share in their HIP group's profits at the year's end. Doctors rotate night duty, ending the traditional 24-hour doctor's day; HIP doctors take a month's vacation every year with their practice cared for.

The Brooklyn battle struck a pathetic note: the target was a plan which still does not reduce medical expenses nearly enough to reach the poor man's needs, is available to comparatively few of the people who need it. It resembles "socialization" about as much as a university scholarship resembles free, compulsory education from kindergarten up.

Upper Waldrop tells Brooklyn

While Brooklyn battled the shadow of progress, Britain was embracing the substance. There the National Health Service wound up its first five years with almost no opposition left among Conservatives in and out of the medical field. (The Conservative Party is pledged to continue it.) Anyone in the country, regardless of citizenship or origin, is entitled to full medical care from doctors, dentists, hospitals, surgeons; 97% of the population take advantage of the service.

Expenses—including doctors' fees, hospital stays, operations, childbirth—are paid out of a $22 per capita tax per year. The patient pays in addition only 14c for each prescription, and part of the cost for eyeglasses and false teeth.

IT WORKS: The 18,500 general practitioners in the service do well on an average income of $6,272 a year (before taxes—but tax relief is fairly liberal, covering even the expense of a gardener). Their income is about what each would get from a private practice of 500 patients. Patients are entitled to home visits when needed, can pick their doctor and take all grievances directly to the service, make private arrangements and pay for it if they are diehards.

The **N. Y. Times** (7/5) interviewed a busy doctor of Upper Waldrop near London who sees 30-50 patients a day in his office, visits 20-30 more. Despite some objections ("You feel there is a third party between you and the patient; it is not as great as you feel it is, but it is there"), the doctor of Upper Waldrop was quoted in what might be a message to Brooklyn:

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Negroes assaulted at Coney Island

TWO young men stepped out of the surf at Coney Island at 7 p.m. last Sunday, walked under the broadwalk to get to the street and didn't make it.

A man walking by heard the sound of fighting, saw a gang of six or seven white boys and men beating the two, moved to help them but was beaten back. The two were Negroes.

James Greenleaf, 18, of 23 Linden Av., Montclair, N. J., was knocked unconscious by the gang. His companion, James Clark, 16, of 121 Willowdale Av., Montclair, was conscious but badly battered when police carried them to an ambulance some minutes later. As he was carried out, he sighted one of the gang that had used fists and sticks on them, called a cop's attention to him. He said later the cop began to walk slowly toward the youth, gave up when he fled.

"3RD OR 4TH" ASSAULT: Neither Greenleaf nor Clark could ascribe any motive to the attack other than racist brutality. Neither knew any member of the gang. Both had been swimming at Coney for years, often visited friends there; up to last Sunday they had had no trouble.

Taken to Coney Island Hospital, both were treated for shock and lacerations of the head and back. Greenleaf later said the receiving nurse and police officer who attended them in the emergency ward seemed greatly upset, told them this was the third or fourth such assault at the beach in the past ten days. The other assaults, they said, were against Jewish swimmers.

"ALWAYS FIGHTS": Police officials at the 60th Precinct told William Greenleaf, James' father, that the incident was routine. They told the GUARDIAN a detective had been assigned to the case, but when asked about the alleged earlier incidents said: "There are always a lot of fights on the beach."

The hospital verified the story that the two had been brought in Sunday night, but declined to fill in details.

NO COMMENT: The incident seemed to fit a pattern of violence along the beaches. Earlier in the season hoodlums raided a picnic party at Jones Beach, beat several young men badly, threatened the women, admitted terrorizing other groups and forcing them to hand over their lunches.

The city's papers played up the Jones Beach story but, like the police, apparently treated the Coney Island assaults as routine; none ran a line. Reached at Montclair, the Greenleaf family said James was out of bed on Tuesday; James Clark was confined to bed until Wednesday suffering from dizzy spells.

Un-Ams probe Canada — in N.Y.

THE House Committee on Un-American Activities set up shop in Albany last week and opened an investigation into un-American activities in Canada.

It had been expected that the committee would begin a probe of the United Electrical Workers in the area. When the New York invasion was first scheduled, UE had been engaged in negotiations with General Electric but in the meantime settled on a new contract.

TOO MANY EXPLOSIONS: The committee called as its first witness Pat Walsh of Quebec, billed as a Canadian "ex-communist courier." He said the 1949 Canadian maritime strike had been called to cripple the Marshall Plan. He also "charged" that Alger Hiss, as Secy. Gen. of the United Nations Conference in San Francisco in 1946, had requested a memorandum from the World Fedn. of Trade Unions, a body recognized by UN.

He said he became disillusioned in the Communist Party last February because of orders to blow up power plants and support the Rosenbergs.

Later the committee probed Morris Zuckerman for details on his ALP activity, Janet Scott of the **Knickerbocker News** for information on "communists" in the CIO Newspaper Guild; Louis Geller, GE worker, and Mrs. Sarah Kaufman, housewife, on their own politics. All stood firmly on the Fifth Amendment.

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Enclosed is my yearly pledge fulfilled — $10; I sent the other $2 several weeks ago.

Miriam Rose Stern

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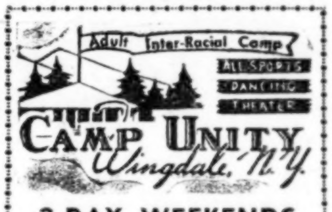

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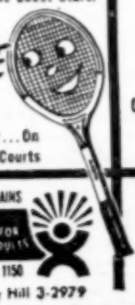

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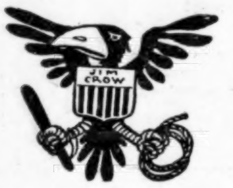
Levittown seeks eviction of Cotter family

MORRIS Management has refused to rent or sell houses in Levittown, Nassau Co., to Negroes. (It once had a clause in all leases limiting "non-Caucasians" to servants; see GUARDIAN, 7/13.) Last week the management brought William Cotter into the 1st District Court in Mineola, L.I., in eviction proceedings.



Mr. and Mrs. Cotter and their five children, a Negro family, have been living in a Levittown house as guests of Harold Johnson. The management has refused to renew the Johnsons' lease, sell or rent any other house to the Cotters.

RENT MONEY TAKEN: The Cotters were represented in court by Calvin Cobb, first Negro attorney admitted to the Suffolk Co. bar, retained by the Committee to End Discrimination in Levittown. The Cotters asked and won a jury trial set for Aug. 10. Morris Mgt. had demanded a quicker trial, claiming that the picket line established by the CED at the management offices on Saturdays was damaging the renting business and constituted a hardship.

The management demanded that the Cotters pay up the June and July rents—which the Cotters had vainly tried to pay before, only to have their checks returned. By taking their money last week, Morris Mgt. set a precedent: it was the first rent accepted from a Negro tenant.

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Movie Suggestions

Manhattan

AMERICAN, 236 E. 3d St. **May Day Parade** (Russ.) & **Red Planet Mars** (Amer.), July 23-24.

ART, 36 E. 8th St. **Two Cents Worth of Hope** (It.), July 17-23.

APOLLO, 233 W 43d St. **Two Cents Worth of Hope**, thru July 22.

BARONET, 3d Av. at 59th. **Tonight at 8:30** (Br.). thru July 19; Magnani in **Volcano** (It.), opens July 20.

BEEKMAN, 2d Av. bet. 65-66. **Last Holiday** (Br., Guinness) & **Laughter in Paradise** (Br., Alastair Sim). thru July 20; **Dead of Night & Hidden Room** (Br. thrillers), July 21-24.

BRYANT, 42d St. W. of 6th Av. **Gentleman's Agreement** & **Jackpot**, July 22-24.

8TH ST. PLAYHOUSE, 52 W. 8th St. **Hans Christian Andersen**, thru July 21.

5TH AV. PLAYHOUSE, 5th Av. & 13th St. **Limelight**, July 17-23.

GRAMERCY, 23d & Lexington. **H. C. Andersen**, thru July 21.

HEIGHTS, 150 Wadsworth Av. **Moulin Rouge**, thru July 19.

LITTLE CARNEGIE, 146 W. 57th St. **Elizabeth Is Queen**, cont.

NORMANDIE, 110 W. 57th. **Hundred Hour Hunt** (Br.), continuing.

PLAZA, 58th & Madison. **Young Bess**, July 18-21.

68TH ST. PLAYHOUSE, 1164 3d Av. **Importance of Being Earnest**, July 22-26.

STANLEY, 7th Av. nr. 42d St. **Stars of the Ukraine**, continuing.

STUYVESANT, 189 2d Av. **Pagliacci** & **Cliff of Sin** (both It.), July 23-24.

WORLD, 153 W. 49th. **Rome 11 O'Clock**, cont.

Bronx

ASCOT, 2313 Gr. Concourse. **Justice Is Done** & **Visit to Picasso**, thru July 26.

CREST, 1145 Ogden Av. **H. C. Andersen** & **Seminole**, July 18-21.

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CLUB CINEMA, 6th Av. bet. 9-10 Sts. Eugene O'Neill's **The Long Voyage Home**, July 17-19, 9:15 p.m.

MUS. OF MODERN ART, 11 W. 53d St. Shows 3 & 5:30 p.m.

Films of Ernst Lubitsch series. **Three Women** (1924), Pauline Frederick, May McAvoy, Marie Provost, July 13-19.

Lady Windermere's Fan (1925), July 20-26.

THALIA INTL. FILM FESTIVAL, 95th & B'way. AC 2-3370.

Shaw's **Pygmalion** & **Major Barbara**, Sat.-Sun., July 18-19.

Miracle in Milan (It.), & **Affair Blum** (Ger.), Mon., July 20.

Ballerina (Fr., La Mort du Cygne) & **La Vie de Boheme** (Fr.), Tues., July 21.

Remarque's **All Quiet on the Western Front** & Dreyer's **Day of Wrath**, Wed., July 22.

Secrets of a Soul (Ger. psychological drama) & **Lady Paname** (Fr. comedy), Thurs., July 23.

Cocteau's **Beauty and the Beast** & **The Grand Illusion** (Fr. anti-war), Fri., July 24.

Midtown

THE SEA AROUND US—Documentary. Trans-Lux 60th, Madison & 60th St.

STALAG 17—Astor, B'way & 45th.

FANFAN THE TULIP—(Fr.) satire on war with Gerard Philipe. Fine Arts, 130 E. 58th St.

SEVEN DEADLY SINS—(Fr.-It.) 7 short films, one per sin. Paris, 4 W. 58th St.

JULIUS CAESAR — Shakespeare makes the big screen. Booth Theatre, 45th St., W. of B'way. Reserved seats.

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JULY 20-26

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B'KLYN CHILDREN'S MUSEUM, B'klyn Av. & Park Pl. Free. Mon., July 20, 11 a.m.: **Robin Redbreast & New England Fisherman**; 2 p.m., **Three Fox Fables & Colonial Virginia**; 4 p.m., **Far Western States & Water Cycle**.

Tues., July 21, 11 a.m: **Christopher Columbus & Winter on the Farm**; 2 p.m., **Pueblo Heritage**; 4 p.m., **People of Chad**.

Wed., July 22, 11 a.m.: **The Mailman & Making Shoes**; 2 p.m, **Curious Coati & Nothing But Air**; 4 p.m., **Treasure from the Sea & Work of Running Water**.

Thurs., July 23, 11 a.m.: **Museum for School Children & Fur Trade**; 2 p.m. **18th Cent. Life in Williamsburg**; 4 p.m., **Feeding New York & Making Electricity**.

Fri., July 24, 11 a.m.: **Rumplestiltskin & Australia**; 2 p.m., **Deer and Its Relatives & Underwater Adventure**; 4 p.m., **Solar System & Simple Machines**.

AMER. MUSEUM OF NAT'L HISTORY, Central Pk. & 79th St. Free. **Chippewa Indians, Hopi Arts and Crafts & Navajo Children**, 3:30 p.m., Wed., July 22.

B'KLYN MUSEUM, Eastern Pkwy. & Washington Av. Free. Mon., July 20, **Pacific Islands**; Wed., July 22, **Farmers of India & People of Western China**, 2 p.m.

BROADWAY THEATER, 49th St. & B'way. **Life of an Ant** & other documentaries, July 18-21.

Miscellaneous

PINOCCHIO, Amer. Educ. Theater production adapted and directed by Kay Rockefeller. YM & YWHA Kaufman Auditorium, Lexington Av & 92d St. Mon., Tues. & Wed., July 27-29, 11 a.m. & 2:40 p.m. $1.20 & $1.80, half-price for groups of 10 or more. Call TR 6-2336.

MARIONETTE CIRCUS, Dept. of Parks. Free. QUEENS:

Mon., July 20, 2:30 p.m.—Van Wyck Playground, 111th Av. & 134th St., Ozone Pk.

Tues., July 21, 11 a.m. & 2:30 p.m.—Forest Pk. Music Grove, Main Drive off Woodhaven Blvd., Glendale.

Wed., July 22, 2:30 p.m.—Brookville Park, Brookville Blvd. & 143d Av., Rosedale.

Thurs., July 23, 11 a.m. & 2:30 p.m.—Kissena Park, 164th St. & Rose & Oak Avs., Rosedale.

Fri., July 24, 2:30 p.m.—Astoria Park, 21st St. & Hoyt Av., Astoria.

OUTDOOR DANCES: Dept. of Parks. For older children and only those accompanied by adults. 8:30-10:30 p.m. Free.

Tues., July 21—Victory Field, Woodhaven Blvd., Queens.

Wed., July 22—Poe Park, Gr. Concourse, Bronx; Cromwell Reservation, Hulbert Av. & Hannah St.

Thurs., July 23—Wollman Memorial Rink, Central Park.

Fri., July 24—Prospect Park Dance Area, B'klyn.

BIKE & HIKE TRIPS: American Youth Hostel leadership. For teenagers, others. 1-day trips open to non-members.

HIKE: Evening Sat., July 25. Meet 5 p.m. at 242d St. & B'way, last stop on IRT Van Cortlandt line. Bring roastables, flashlights.

BIKE: To Long Beach for swimming. Meet 9 a.m. Park Circle, Sunrise Hway & Woodhaven Blvd.

BIKE: To Saxon Woods for picnicking & swimming. Meet 9 a.m. Columbus Circle, 10:30 a.m. Mosholu Pkwy & Gr. Conc.

BIKE: To Oyster Bay, swim in L. I. Sound. Meet 9 a.m. Woodhaven Blvd. & Atlantic Av., 9:30 a.m. Hillside Av. & Queens Blvd., 10 a.m. 197-18 89th Av.

OUTDOOR STORY HOURS: N. Y. **Historical Society**, 170 Central Park W. Fridays all month. TR 7-2917. N. Y. **Public Library**, conducts story hours in parks and playgrounds in Manhattan, Bronx and Staten Island. Call BR 9-1500, Ext. 23, for further information.

Brooklyn Public Library offers "Meet Us Under the Library Umbrella," story hours at parks and playgrounds. Inquire at your local branch library.

WE SUGGEST: Clip and save your Events for Children for a week. Most events are listed two weeks in advance to permit parents and children to plan their time together.

Radio Tips

"Let's Speak Spanish," a 10-day home course in the Spanish language using the Armed Forces conversational method of instruction, will be offered Mon. through Fri. at 2 p.m. over station WNYC beginning July 20. Other selected WNYC programs are listed below.

Sat., July 18—"The 40,000,000," a new series dramatizing latest discoveries in child health with on-the-spot reports from hospitals, radio and screen personalities sponsored by Health Information Foundation. 1st program stars Josephine Hull in "Death Was Catching," on contagious diseases, 8:30 p.m.

Mon., July 20—KEEPING BABY COOL IN SUMMER, Dr. Dorothy A. Oppenheim, N.Y.C. Dept. of Health, 10:30 a.m.

WHY THEATRE? Julie Haydon, Lee Mitchell and Edward Crowley of Northwestern U. Drama dept. Northwestern U. Reviewing Stand series, 6 p.m.

Tues., July 21—PREVENTIVE DENTISTRY, Dr. Jos. M. Gould, 10:30 a.m. BOOKS FOR CHILDREN, librarian Augusta Baker, 1:30 p.m.

Sat., July 25—NATURE NOTEBOOK, a new series of unusual animal stories and interviews for children, 11 a.m.

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LABOR

Reuther, Meany drown out British plea for peace

WHEN CIO president Walter Reuther and AFL president George Meany headed for Stockholm for the third world congress of the Intl. Confedn. of Free Trade Unions, they were armed for a showdown battle against what Meany has considered British domination of the organization and its failure to become a major instrument of U.S. cold war policy. (ICFTU was set up as a rival to the militant World Fedn. of Trade Unions, originally recognized by UN as spokesman for international labor.) Main target was Sir Vincent Tewson, ICFTU pres. and secy. of the powerful British Trades Union Congress. His sin: he favors direct negotiations with the Soviet Union for peace.

Reuther and Meany won; Tewson didn't even run for re-election. To London's Labourite **New Statesman** (7/11) this looked like "appeasement" of AFL:

> It will be a disaster if appeasement goes so far as to divert the ICFTU . . . into a mere agent of political propaganda.

LOUD NOISES: To accomplish the defeat of their British counterparts, Reuther and Meany made some of the most extravagant war-like sounds heard in any quarter recently; Reuther's were all the more extraordinary because they contradicted a major resolution of the recent convention of his own United Auto Workers which urged acceptance of Soviet Premier Malenkov's bid for peace negotiations. On June 17, before they sailed, the delegations of the AFL, CIO and United Mine Workers issued a joint statement:

> We . . . remain unconvinced that present Soviet policy harbingers any basic alteration in the pattern of Soviet aggression. . . . We urge the free world to remain vigilant, militarily strong and united in the face of the Soviet Union's propaganda peace campaign.

"IF NEED BE": At the first plenary session of the Congress Reuther said:

> "We must work hard on the social and economic fronts to fight communism—if need be also with weapons."

The **CIO News** (7/13) reported:

> Reuther also introduced a resolution calling on free labor throughout the world to help the East Germans financially as well as morally. With Meany's vigorous support, it was pushed through in the face of British reluctance.

Reuther chartered a Swedish plane, flew to E. Berlin, walked around to "see for himself" what was happening there. Later a three-man delegation formed at Reuther's suggestion, flew down "to investigate social, political and economic conditions of workers in E. Berlin and E. Germany.

TWO ON A WIRE: On July 6 Reuther and Meany jointly cabled Eisenhower:

> ". . . We call upon the U.S. government immediately to take the initiative in aiding the workers of Soviet-occupied Germany in their struggle against Soviet totalitarianism. . . . We ask that our Government press for immediate negotiations for free elections in a united Germany and for establishment of free political parties and free trade unions, and for the immediate liberation of German workers imprisoned by the Soviet occupation authorities for their resistance. . . . We further call for submission of a formal complaint to UN against the Soviet Union's violation of human rights and freedom of association in Soviet-occupied Germany."

Neither the UMW delegation nor any other country signed it. But in a reply read to the congress, Eisenhower said:

> "Your message is a splendid example of the contribution that free trade unionism is making to the cause of freedom and justice all over the world. The government of the U.S. shares wholeheartedly with you and your associates your feelings about the workers of East Berlin."

"SOFTNESS" FEARED: Tewson's defeat under the sound and fury of the Reuther-Meany demands for more cold war pleased AFL and CIO journals at home. Said the **AFL News-Reporter:**

> Sharp conflicts on foreign policy between American and British labor leaders broke out into the open at the first session. . . .
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> "This is the time for caution," said . . . Tewson . . . in a plea for a negotiated peace with Soviet Russia. "This is no time for backsliding under the pretext of caution," retorted . . . Meany.
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> Going even beyond Churchill's recent pronouncement, Tewson showed a "soft" attitude toward the Communists which the American delegation feared might spread to other European labor groups. However, Meany's torrid attack against the Communist record was loudly cheered while Tewson's uninspired talk went largely unheeded.

Said the **CIO News:**

> CIO, AFL and Mine Workers delegations appeared victors in a fight to continue strong opposition to Russian aggression as against the softer attitude taken by the powerful British labor movement.

Two Reuther, two Reuters

On his jaunt to Berlin to get cold-war propaganda ammunition for the striped-pants labor set, CIO's Walter Reuther (l.) and his brother Victor (r.) get bountifully filled in by W. Berlin Mayor Ernst Reuter and Georg Reuter, dep. chairman of W. German trade unions.

N.Y. judge rejects housing 'loyalty' law

LAST summer, Congress tagged on to an appropriations bill the Gwinn Amendment (after Rep. Ralph W. Gwinn, R. of Bronxville, N.Y.) requiring residents of federally-aided, low-cost housing projects to sign statements that they belong to no organization on the Atty. General's "subversive" list. In January New York City's Housing Authority, along with housing authorities throughout the country, presented tenants with loyalty questionnaires.

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Many tenants, including 2,000 in N.Y., refused to sign and were threatened with eviction. Many others answered the quiz but with a protest.

Suits to prevent local housing authorities from implementing the law were begun in several areas, among them Denver, Los Angeles and New Jersey. New York's was the first to reach a judicial verdict. The rest of the country waited for it as an important, if not decisive, precedent. In Miami, Chicago and Detroit, housing authorities were reportedly waiting for a sign from New York before going ahead on their own loyalty probes.

UNCONSTITUTIONAL: Last week the verdict came: Justice Henry Martuscello ruled in the N.Y. Supreme Court that the N.Y.C. Housing Authority must stop enforcing the federal law. On a suit brought by Mrs. Rebekah Peters for several neighbors in the Williamsburg Houses, Brooklyn, Martuscello declared the Gwinn law violated due process provisions of the Fifth Amendment.

If the government chooses to provide low-rent housing for its citizens, he ruled, "it cannot arbitrarily prevent any of its citizens from enjoying these . . . privileges." Since the Supreme Court had questioned the constitutionality of the way the Atty. General's list is compiled, the Gwinn amendment was an "unconstitutional requirement as a condition for occupancy" and the Authority's implementation of it was "arbitrary, capricious, unreasonable. . ."

Bryson defenders warn of dire peril to all honest trade unions

WHEN Hugh Bryson in 1944 became president of the Natl. Union of Marine Cooks & Stewards (one of the oldest unions on the West Coast), messmen worked 56 hours a week and received $79 a month. Today, under Bryson's leadership, messmen work a 40-hour week at sea and in port; wages have increased four-fold to $356.19 a month. The union is a model of democracy, as all who attend its meetings attest; it has an unsurpassed record of unity between its white, Negro and Asian membership. For these spectacular gains, MCS has been subjected to mounting attacks by employers, a rival union, and the government.

Last April 7 Bryson was indicted by a federal grand jury on a charge of perjury in signing the Taft-Hartley non-Communist affidavit. Witnesses against him were members and organizers of an AFL cooks and stewards union sponsored by Harry Lundeberg, boss of the Sailors Union of the Pacific. Bryson pleaded not guilty, was released on $5,000 bail.

"GANGSTER TACTICS": The concerted attacks on MCS got under way in April, 1951, when Lundeberg asked for a Natl. Labor Relations Board election to determine the bargaining agent for stewards dept. personnel; six months later he set up his rival MCS-AFL.

Violence accompanied the Lundeberg raiding tactics; many an MCS member was slugged and beaten. George Kane, an MCS butcher on the S.S. Lurline, was shot by Thomas Giblin when he refused to join the Lundeberg group. Giblin later pleaded guilty to felonious assault; MCS is now pressing for a $300,000 civil suit against Lundeberg and his union on the ground that Giblin acted under their direction. Bryson has called the shooting

> . . . an attempt to bring the gangster control to the West Coast waterfront now existing on the East Coast."

THEY WANT MCS: Following Lundeberg's petition for an election, the NLRB in March, 1952, "outlawed" the MCS contract. Three months later it set up an employer-controlled hiring hall where workers had to designate their preference for MCS or MCS-AFL; 90% designated MCS, and an election has been stalled ever since even though the NLRB in Oct., 1952, ordered an election to be held—at the discretion of its West Coast regional director.

Shortly after the Bryson indictment was handed up, Lundeberg asked that MCS be declared ineligible to participate in an election. The NLRB denied this, but indicated that if Bryson is found guilty then his union would be ruled ineligible. Whereupon Lundeberg asked postponement of the election until after the Bryson trial.

29 FLAWS: On June 2 Bryson's attorneys argued for dismissal of the indictment before Federal Judge Edward P. Murphy. They claimed the grand jury had insufficient evidence to indict; cited 29 flaws in the indictment; argued that charging Bryson with both "membership in" and "affiliation with" the Communist Party was like trying a man for murder and manslaughter at the same time. Judge Murphy refused to dismiss the indictment, but on June 10 the grand jury returned a "superseding" indictment, differing from the original in some technicalities.

ALL IN JEOPARDY: Last week MCS was putting its Bryson defense campaign into high gear; David Jenkins, head of the MCS Union Defense Committee, was on the East Coast to muster trade union support. More than 200 ships' crews have already protested to Atty. Gen. Herbert Brownell and demanded dismissal of the indictment; the Intl. Longshoremen's & Warehousemen's Union, the United Electrical Workers and the American Communications Assn. have contributed to the defense. In an appeal to all unions, MCS secy.-treas. Joe Johnson called Bryson's indictment

> ". . . only the first of what promises to be a rash of such attacks. . . . We need support from every local union and every union man and woman and every union officer who realizes that his own organization is jeopardized by the use of this latest gimmick: the 'perjury' indictment."

McCarthy and the anti-Semites

An important start in the job of disclosing Sen. McCarthy's connections with anti-Semitic groups in the U.S. has been done by Charles R. Allen Jr. (formerly of the **Nation**) and Arthur J. Dlugoff in the July issue of **Jewish Life** (25c; 22 E. 17th St., N.Y.C. 3). Allen and Dlugoff, both GUARDIAN contributors, have assembled some startling documentation for their 13-page expose which covers McCarthy's relations with Upton Close, Joe Kamp, Alfred Kohlberg, Gerald L. K. Smith and others. This is an issue of **Jewish Life** to be sure you don't miss.

Mrs. Robeson tells McCarthy about the 15th Amendment

By Eslanda Goode Robeson

THE McCarthy Committee said it called me to Washington July 7 because two of my books, **Paul Robeson, Negro** and **African Journey**, were in U.S. overseas libraries; therefore they had to find out if I was or had ever been a Communist.

Having got my name, the committee asked if I was married to Paul Robeson. I said I was, and was very proud of it.

Had I written **African Journey** all by myself, or did someone help me? I said:

> "Do you think because I am a Negro and a woman I can't write a book by myself? Of course, if I'd had any help on the book I would have formally acknowledged it in a foreword as all honest writers do."

A "NEW" AMENDMENT: Did I get any royalties from my book? "Yes, a lot." Had I contributed any to the Communist Party? I said I'd taken all the royalties and gone to Africa.

Well, was I a Communist Party member when I wrote the book? Was I one now? I refused to answer under the protection given me by the 5th and 15th amendments.

The 15th Amendment stopped them cold. It had never before been used in these hearings, so I couldn't use it. I said the committee was very white, and that I, being a Negro, needed the 15th.

McCarthy explained that all citizens who testified before his committee were equal—white and black, Catholic and Jew, etc. But I insisted that as a Negro I was discriminated against and treated like a second-class citizen—therefore I needed the 15th as well as the 5th.

IT'S THE VIOLENCE: McCarthy said the committee was all white because there were no Negro Senators. I said that was part of the discrimination. He said No, it was because the voters did not elect Negro Senators. I said the bulk of the Negro people are in the South, where force and violence prevent them from voting freely, if at all.

Perhaps I thought the Soviet government was better than the U.S. government? I said I thought the U.S. Constitution and Bill of Rights were marvelous and I had been working most of my life to have them implemented for the Negro people.

TOO SLOW: Did I think the Communist Party teaches and advocates the overthrow of the U.S. government by force and violence? I said as a Negro I knew a lot about the force and violence used against my people in this country, and I never knew of any Communist who used it.

Didn't I think there were some white people who want to help me win my first-class citizenship? I said yes, and I appreciated it very much, but I thought there were too few of them; they were not effective enough; and it wasn't going fast enough, because we Negro people are still all second-class citizens.

Wouldn't I agree that Negroes had made progress since slavery? I said No, I thought they had gone backwards, in comparison with the progress made by other peoples in the world. In my grandfather's time there were Negroes in the Senate; now there are none. Grandfather himself was Secy. of State and Secy. of the Treasury for South Carolina during Reconstruction; now there are no top-level state officials in the U.S. while peoples in many other parts of the world who were in colonial slavery are now free and independent—and Mr. Nkrumah, a West African Negro, is Prime Minister of Ghana (the Gold Coast).

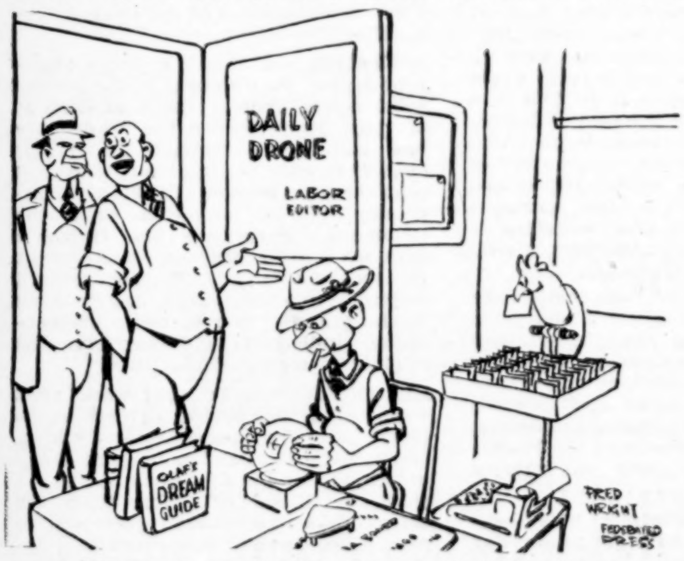
ESLANDA GOODE ROBESON
First class, please

It may be said that I did not cooperate with the Senate Committee. When the Senate cooperates with me and my people to the extent of insuring our first-class citizenship, then I will be able to give it first class cooperation in carrying out legitimate Senate business.

BOOKS The crooked mirror of the press

Newspaperman-author George Marion (**Bases and Empire, All Quiet in the Kremlin**) believes that the coming hundred years, perhaps less, will witness the success of man's struggle of two millennia to determine his own destinies.

As author, Marion has set himself the task of writing the story of "The Next Hundred Years" because "Our time has a story to tell and I am determined it shall be told. . . . [It] is the essence of the truth of our time—as I see it. But how can I expect you to see it my way when everyone else is telling you a contrary story?"



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Marion cites the late press tycoon Edward W. Scripps, adman Earnest Elmo Calkins, the Luce-backed Commission on Freedom of the Press and other leading press sources to make these points:

- U.S. press competition is not a battle of ideas, but a war for profit.
- Of nearly 12,000 news media in the U.S. (1,700 dailies, 10,000 weeklies), chain and multiple ownership boils the total owners down to 8,000. Boiled down further, the statistics show 50 of the 8,000 command 72% of the total output; 20, nearly 57%; and a mere eight, 40.6%.

$25,000,000 "FREEDOM": Thus a small circle of "a hundred, fifty, even a dozen decide what all the fabulous machinery of mass-communications shall transmit or withhold. And the bare suggestion that this is too much power for too few men is a 'Russian-Soviet conception', a part of the diabolic system that we are ever now preparing to stamp out in this world, at the cost, if necessary, of a third global war."

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Marion's fact-finding about the U.S. press is essential to anyone concerned with keeping the record straight in these climatic years.

J. T. M.

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PEACE

Peace leader scores 'communist' fears

MORE than 1,000 opponents of war at the 19th annual Institute of Intl. Relations just ended at Whittier, Calif., welcomed British Peace Pledge Union gen. secy. Stuart Morris, who was held two weeks on Ellis Island before he was allowed to enter the U. S. for a speaking tour. He told the institute, sponsored by the American Friends Service Committee (Quakers), that fear of "being called communist" must not stop anyone from fighting for peace:

> "To live in peace is the only way to have freedom, freedom from fear of the state and fear of the atom bomb. War will not settle who is right—only who is left."

The pacifist leader called on "the West" to "heed the neutrality policy of India" and her mediation efforts. He said certain politicians believed in methods of violence but hesitated to use it because "they know the risk World War III would involve." In the meantime "they think they can have a little negotiation and a lot of war preparation."

Britain, Morris said, "is almost bankrupt from the war economy, psychological tensions there having almost reached the breaking point." Mankind's "real enemy" is not communsim but

> ". . . .poverty, disease and preventable death. . . . The real war in which we can all engage is a war against poverty. We must decide whether atomic energy is to be for the use of man or for his destruction. We must decide whether steel is to be used for tanks or for plows, and whether money is to be used for saving lives or destroying them."

CHINA'S FUTURE: Curator Mary Wright of the Hoover Library (Stanford U.) Chinese collection and Cornell law prof. Harrop Freeman debated "Why U. S. Policy Failed in China" with Maxwell Hamilton, career diplomat, and Davis Merwin, Korean correspondent. Though she would not agree to U. S. recognition of China until the Korean fighting stopped, Miss Wright said "we should recognize it immediately" then. Hamilton said "the increasing resumption of trade with China" by France and Britain would "force us to resume our peacetime trade with Peoples China."

Dr. Lowell Ragatz, head of Ohio University's history dept. and author of works on imperialism, charged "the West" with being a longtime aggressor in Asia. But today, he said, "colonial imperialism" faces there an "irresistible force which cannot be denied" or stopped; leaders of this force were not "dirty little communist rats" but the Jeffersons, Franklins and Washingtons of Asia's emerging nations.

Hopi wisdom

Condemning the drafting of young Hopi Indians into the U. S. Army, Hopi leaders in Arizona declared last month that they were a "separate and distinct nation," and wrote to the President and Congress:

> We have . . . made no agreement with the U. S. government to ever participate in its war effort. . . . We fully understand the seriousness of the world situation, but your government believes that by depending on a huge army and by waging wars, you will find peace and everlasting life. We believe that this leads to certain destruction and we will not go along this road. (**UP**, 6/14.)

THE LAW

New McCarran bill perils 5th amendment

FOR several years Sen. Pat McCarran (D-Nev.) has sought to destroy the Fifth Amendment to the Constitution (no one "shall be compelled in any criminal case to be a witness against himself") by forcing witnesses to testify under a grant of "immunity" from prosecution. Most responsible legal authorities oppose the McCarran immunity bill and question the very possibility of granting effective immunity (for example, even if it were binding federally it would not bind State authorities). Even the Justice Dept. is against it. On June 25 the N. Y. State Bar Assn.'s Committee on Civil Rights, while believing the Fifth Amendment has been "abused," nevertheless upheld it as a "vital safeguard to freedom which has not lost its usefulness with the passage of time or possible abuse." Of McCarran's proposal it said:

> The danger of carelessness or abuse of this power by indiscriminate grants of immunity may present a far greater threat to the orderly administration of criminal justice than the possible abuse of the privilege by some individual.

SLEEPY-TIME STRATEGY: But McCarran finally wangled approval of his bill by the Senate Judiciary Committee. Twice Sen. Taft (R-Ohio) blocked action on it in the Senate. When Taft became ill, Knowland (R-Calif.) became acting majority leader. Late in the evening of July 9 he brought the bill before the Senate under the unanimous consent rule. Debate was brief; only Sens. Lehman (D-N. Y.) and Hoey (D-N. C.) expressed outright opposition. The bill was passed by a standing unrecorded vote. It now goes to the House.

Last May 25 the Washington **Post** commented on the bill:

> Certainly Mr. John D. Davis [noted Constitutional authority], Dean Griswold of Harvard Law School, Gov. Dewey and others who have responded to Sen. Kilgore's request for comment on the immunity bill have proved one thing—that the measure should not have been reported out of committee without public hearings.

There is still time for aroused public opinion to demand public hearings in the House, to head off this further destruction of the Bill of Rights.

Judge sees 'hysteria' in Sacher disbarment

THE U. S. Court of Appeals on July 6 upheld disbarment of Harry Sacher, attorney for some of the 11 Communists convicted under the Smith Act in 1949, from practice in N. Y. State's Southern District. He said he would appeal to the U. S. Supreme Court for review of the four-to-one decision.

Sacher was ordered disbarred in Jan., 1952, by Federal Judge Carroll C. Hincks of New Haven, Conn., at the instigation of the N. Y. C. Bar and the N. Y. County Lawyers associations.

In a 10-page dissenting opinion Judge Charles E. Clark said that disbarment

> ". . . seems to me a quite unnecessary and ill-fitting example of judicial harshness which apparently does not trouble my brothers. . . . I cannot believe . . . that an application for reinstatement will not meet with more favor when the present atmosphere of hysteria has somewhat abated."

"SELF-INFLICTED WOUNDS": Judge Augustus N. Hand, for the majority, cited two instances of Sacher's "misconduct": continuing a cross-examination which he allegedly knew the court permitted through misapprehension of the facts, and remarking during the trial that the early Christians "did so many things . . . that if Mr. [prosecutor John F. X.] McGohey were a contemporary of Jesus he would have had Jesus in the dock."

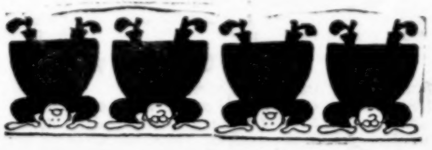
Judge Clark said regarding the first:

> This seems to me to be building an artificial case on so formal and technical a ground as to be really distressing;

and on the second, after denying it was anti-religious:

> It is rather an example of the not uncommon practice of citing historical allusions to reflect upon the merits of the charges being litigated; that this allusion took a somewhat provocative form indicates only a possible ill-advised attempt at emphasis.

Insisting that "the courts stand to gain nothing . . . if they allow vindictive harshness to control their actions," Clark asked: "Why must the most serious wounds to justice be self-inflicted?" (Clark is the same judge who last month denied the government a stay of execution of Dist. Judge Weinfeld's order granting release on band of GUARDIAN editor Belfrage.)



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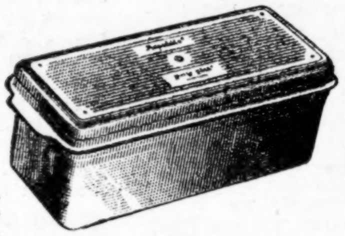

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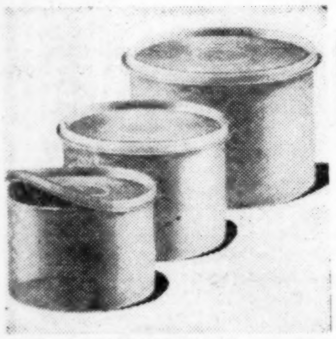

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